

# ABSTRACT

- 5           The present invention provides compositions and methods for regulating  
expression of nucleotide sequences in a plant. Compositions are novel nucleotide  
sequences for root-preferred promoter elements and plant promoters comprising the  
elements. Methods for expressing a nucleotide sequence in a plant using the promoter  
sequences disclosed herein are provided. The methods comprise transforming a plant cell  
10 with a nucleotide sequence operably linked to the promoters of the present invention and  
regenerating a stably transformed plant from the transformed plant cell.